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SUBJECT: LAGOS ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 179444

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1. IN PURSUIT OF INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTEL, POSTS
MAY TRANSMIT DATA CONTAINED IN PARAS 2 AND 3 BELOW TO
HOST GOVERNMENTS AS APPROPRIATE.

2. THE WORLD CONFERENCE FOR ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID,
TO BE HELD IN LAGOS AUGUST 22-26, STEMS FROM UNGA
RESOLUTION 31/6G OF NOVEMBER 9, 1976. DESCRIPTIVE UN
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DOCUMENTS INDICATE CONFERENCE IS INTENDED TO REVIEW
ACTIONS TAKEN BY PARTICIPANTS TO OPPOSE APARTHEID AND
TO DEVISE WAYS TO DISMANTLE APARTHEID. VIRTUALLY ALL
NATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO SEND DELEGATIONS. OTHER
INVITEES INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-
GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, VARIOUS LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS AND PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS.

3. U.S. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ANDREW YOUNG WILL LEAD OUR DELEGATION TO THE CONFERENCE.
WE INTEND TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN THE CONFERENCE
AND HOPE THAT THE ANTICIPATED CONFERENCE DECLARATION

AND PROGRAM OF ACTION WILL BE MEASURED, MODERATE
DOCUMENTS WITH WHICH WE COULD ASSOCIATE OURSELVES.
IN PARTICULAR WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE FOCUS ON
APARTHEID NOT BE DIVERTED TO INCLUDE EXTRANEOUS
AND DIVISIVE ISSUES SUCH AS A LINKAGE BETWEEN APARTHEID
AND ZIONISM. SUCH A CONNECTION, SHOULD IT BE DRAWN,
WOULD NOT ONLY SERIOUSLY AFFECT THE US ATTITUDE
TOWARDS THE CONFERENCE, BUT DAMAGE THE OBJECTIVE OF
THE CONFERENCE -- TO COMBAT APARTHEID. END UNCLASSIFIED.

4. FYI: BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. WE HAVE BROACHED
OUR CONCERN AT POSSIBILITY OF APARTHEID-ZIONISM
LINKAGE WITH VARIOUS AFRICAN AND ARAB NATIONS AND HAVE
RECEIVED ASSURANCES, MOST IMPORTANTLY THOSE OF HOST
COUNTRY NIGERIA, OF INTENT TO WORK TO PREVENT PRESSING
THIS CONTENTIOUS ISSUE. IF YOU FEEL IT APPROPRIATE,
YOU MAY, IN COURSE OF DISCUSSIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY
OFFICIALS ON THIS SUBJECT, REQUEST THEIR SUPPORT IN
KEEPING ATTENTIONS OF CONFERENCE DIRECTED TOWARD ITS
ANNOUNCED GOAL, I.E., COMBATING APARTHEID. END
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